

# '44 Commencement

The end of school brings with it the long awaited commencement program which is called Finals. This includes a variation of activities which took place at Augusta throughout the year. The program for the year 1943-44 extends over a period of four and a half days, starting on Saturday, June 3rd, and ending on Wednesday noon of June 7th. Almost all the corps takes part in this final celebration and puts on a show for the faculty, parents and friends to witness.

Presented here is the schedule and activities for the Program:

## Saturday, June 3rd

- 5:00 P. M. Dress Parade.
- 8:30 P. M. Moving Pictures.
- 10:00 P. M. Final Ball Figure Practice.

## Sunday, June 4th

- 9:00 A. M. Guard Mount "A" Company.
- 11:30 A. M. Baccalaureate Sermon—Old Stone Church.
- 5:00 P. M. Dress Parade.
- 5:30 P. M. Sacred Concert in Circle.
- 7:00 P. M. Reception and Buffet Supper at "White Hall" for Graduates.
- 8:30 P. M. Final Meeting of the Y. M.C.A.—Assembly Hall.

## Monday, June 5th

- 9:00 A. M. Guard Mount "B" Company.
- 10:30 A. M. Setting Up Exercises by entire corps.
- 3:00 P. M. Obstacle Course exhibit.
- 5:00 P. M. Dress Parade.
- 10:00 P. M. Final Celebration Ciceronian Literary Society.

## Tuesday, June 6th

- 9:00 A. M. Guard Mount "D" Company.
- 10:30 A. M. Setting Up Exercises by "A", "B", "D", and "E" Companies.
- 11:15 A. M. Exhibition Infantry Combat Platoon "C" Company.
- 3:00 P. M. Competitive and Individual Drill between Companies and Cadets.
- 4:30 P. M. Review before Alumni.
- 10:00 P. M. Final Ball.

## Wednesday, June 7th

- 10:00 A. M. Closing exercises—Gymnasium Auditorium.
- Awarding of Diplomas and Certificates.—Col. T. J. Roller
- Awarding of Prizes, Medals and Military Honors—Maj. C. S. Roller, Jr.
- Address to Graduates
- Valedictorian—Cadet Capt. J. D. Eborn, Jr., North Carolina.
- 12:00 Noon Auld Lang Syne Parade—Front of Barracks.



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## "Should Old Acquaintance Be Forgot"

Only too soon the melody of Auld Lang Syne drifts over Augusta. Then will cadets of AMA depart, some to battle; some to work and build a future; some to spend a quiet summer vacation before continuing their scholastic adventures. But significantly enough it can be remembered of the Corps of '44 that it has set a mark unequalled in work and responsibility. From the youngest junior to the oldest senior a harmony of "you are your brother's keeper" strengthened a steel bond of fellowship between all.

### Teamwork Made Us

It has been this form of teamwork that settled all disputes in the making of the greatest corps of cadets at Augusta. It has been through the work of the officers and the cooperation of the men that set people wondering how such a corps could do what we have done.

When the companies are dismissed for the last time in front of barracks all can feel assured that this past year has been one of record making history, for America, for religion and for Augusta.

### Growth of A. M. A.

School opened in September. Its growth in work accomplished grew and grew until even visiting officers marveled at the feats accomplished. All obstacles were taken in stride. Cadets learned to respect one another. Education was brought to a higher level and social activities were the best. This has been you, you cadets have done this. Without the help and cooperation of all, a regular "just run of the mine" corps would have been had. Mostly it has been through the new cadets. The way they followed rules set for them was wonderful. Not a serious case was found during the year which would blotch the mark of the standards of the new cadets code. The older men kept the new cadets going through their fair play and military discipline. They taught what they knew and taught it well.

### "Our Dear Faculty"

Credit is due, in part, to the trials and tribulations the faculty officers had to go through. Their job was not an easy one, but they carried out their duty. The P. M. S. & T., Major (Continued on Page 12)

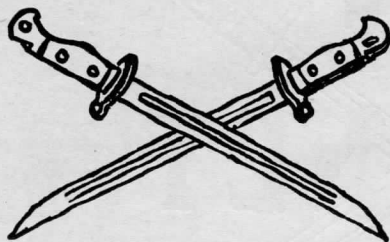
## Bayonet Staff For 1945 Announced

The Bayonet Staff for 1945 was chosen by Major Hoover and this year's staff, and the following results were announced. To be Editor-in-Chief, Stafford Williams from Port of Spain, Trinidad, B.W.I., who will be a third year man next year. His assistant editor will be Fred Thomas from Pennsylvania. The sports department will be handled by Harden Field, a fourth year man and James Pigg a third year cadet. The staff typist will be Richard Geist from New York City. Pedro Cordero will be Art Edi-

tor and Paul Moershell will handle the Feature angles. Bill Jones will again be staff photographer.

### Banquet Planned for '44 Staffs

A "Final Issue" banquet will be had for the staffs of the Bayonet and Recall the day this last publication comes off the press. Major Paul V. Hoover is making arrangements for this gala occasion. The major portion of the staff of 1944 will not return to Augusta next year so this will be the last get-together for them.



# The Bayonet

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## WE GRADUATE, THEN ?

To graduate means more to us than just receiving our diplomas. It means the end of twelve years of school, starting from First grade and including Grammar school, Junior High and High School.

For most of us, in normal times, college education would seem evident and to others jobs would be had. Today we are in the midst of a great struggle for these privileges. Nine-tenths of our present graduating class will enter the service sooner or later. Your future is dim, but your objective is clear. After we finish what our fathers started we can say, "we graduate, then comes life."

## QUADRANGLE QUIRPS

### OLD AND NEW

A long time ago the thing we call a Quirp was thought up by some forgotten editor of the Bayonet. Today the whole corps knows the word "quirp", its meaning and what it stands for. Here, gentlemen, are your quirps for they are yours; everything in them is yours; remember them well for they symbolize your last year at Augusta.

Reminiscing thru some old Bayonets we come across the following old favorites:

February 18—Last week the Coast Guard has to be summoned to fish the Big Room students out of the water. All this occurred after the dance. Well, anyway, afterwards cocoa and warm clothes were issued in barracks.

It looks as if the boys were very considerate of Mr. Douglass's wishes by putting their butts in the corner. All we want to know is where Dave put his Butt the night of the dance.

Seems like the White Swan went swimming in a proverbial lake of fire water. But with your help gentlemen, with your help.

Pat Georger seems to be taking the afternoon off now and walking in the mountains with some Ft. Defiance milk maid. Don't you get enough to drink in the mess hall, Pat?

Precision seems to be the by word these days, at least at MBC, I think so for while the chaperons were good enough to let a few girls come out to see our Sunday Parade. They were also good enough to see that the girls got back to see their supper.

March 3rd—What are the properties of magnetism appeared on a Chemistry test the other day. (Ans. An attraction of a big time operator to a bigger time operator by way of the rear.)

It has been rumored around barracks that Major has had an offer from Staunton's leading junk dealer. We ask you to keep it, sir, it's not the car that counts, but the tradition.

MBC made it known that senior class excursion was due around Bald Rock some time in May. (Any volunteers?)

### The "New" Quadrangle Quirps

Now we print Wasco's girl's name in the Bayonet by direct request of Wasco. "Betty Lou".

Lieutenant Commander Terchie has finally seen the light, if that's possible in Pittsburgh, and decided to invite

a girl down to Finals from that famous city.

The Y.M.C.A. Amateur Hour went off quite well considering the participants. You know the ones (Georger and his crew).

McGraw has finally gotten a girl. What will his mother say when she finds out?

Does Reger get around? Just ask the girls whose hearts he's broken. Take Verna for example. Get out of this one if you can.

The Woodrow Wilson has consented to send a few battalions out to the campus the night of the Final Ball (M.P.'s of course).

Editor, editor, who has the editor—Endeavoring to answer the question Daugherty presented himself for inspection. Well, what do you think, gentlemen?

### Honor Guard Detail Junior

O. C. .... Cadet Bazemore  
O. D. .... Cadet Bearden  
Corporal ..... Showell  
Orderly ..... Davis

Captain Garnett has been receiving threatening letters lately. Shall we call in the F.B.I. or Rollers Rangers?

All the Texans have gone home from M.B.C. and, for certain, the Bayonet can say that a lot of minds won't be on final exams because of it.

Wonder how Lynn McNew is treating her little boy, Bobby, these days? How the war hasn't cramped some people's style.

Wanted: One new corps of cadets for '45 with as many old cadets as possible. P. S. Also a new messhall.

After going over the plans for the new AMA we note that one thing is missing, mainly a location for Mary Baldwin College.

A man with bar keeping experience will be appreciated by the members of the second stoop tower. A shipment is expected any old time now also this gentlemen can expect good pay for the duration of finals.

Wanted: One V.M.I. cadet on the charge of larceny. Any information on the subject will be appreciated by Cadet Kearsce.

A few quotas of Cadet Huntsberry's concerning that beautiful dish he had at the last dance. "I don't like her figure, so she doesn't look like Betty Grable; I don't like women anyway, the hell with them all." Well, well, well.

We now print Wasco's name in the Bayonet by request of Wasco, "Wasco"

An alert just flashed in: M.B.C.

marching to avenge the insult at them in the last Bayonet.

We understand that the baseball team has a girl friend by the name of Aunt Margie (including Pittman).

What happened to Cadet Stern fellows? Was he sick as Major thinks, or — as the corps thinks.

Johnny and Dave are going to head for the wide open spaces Christmas time. These two are really a pair to go bear hunting. We rather think they'll be hunting bare.

A Major walked up to a cadet standing in front of barracks and asked: "Do you like animals?" The cadet turned around and said, "Yes sir, I wait on tables in the messhall"

Tom Warner leaves his ball of fire to any man capable of putting it out.

When Major Cherrington asked where Pedro Cordero was, reliable McGraw piped up, "He's taking the physical for the infirmary, sir."

Lawther B. M. seems to have run his dream boat? Johnny Long, aground. Well, chum, the Navy deserves you more anyway.

Last Sunday at church Porter seems to have gotten his meal formations and Church Communion mixed up. When some of the corps got up he anxiously asked whether it was voluntary retirement.

All kiddnig aside, we now take great pleasure in presenting the only O.D. who has twice rated the Honor Guard Detail, Thomas M. O. Congratulations.

Has Jones, I mean pajamas, that's his new name, fellows, begun to slip or is Stuart Hall a little too fast for him?

Monday was the last afternoon in town and don't think that some of our boys didn't have a time of it. Ask anyone connected with that great and glorious institution known as Mary Baldwin.

"Best Foot Forward" or maybe it should have been titled forward at you best and we mean it too. Don't we Reger and Mac.

### Your Hit Parade

1. I Love You—Corps of '45 to AMA.
2. A Poem Set to Music—Major Blackburn.
3. Just a Kid Named Joe—Dibella.
4. From Twilight Till Dawn—Anybody not at AMA.

5. I'll Find You—Staunton Draft Board.
6. Only a Rose—Final Ball Committee.
7. I Heard You Cried Last Nite—Mary Baldwin girls.
8. I Never Mention Your Name—Major Roller.
9. In My Arms—Sweatt and Jones.
10. Daybreak—Returning on permit.

Can't "yeddy or teddy bear Grape" even hold the barracks down? Need a few anchors, Bob?

What was the breakfast like, one cadet asked another. In butted Lindsay, "Ask me, I eat all the food at our table anyway."

Whose got number three blood? rang out the cry. McCrum was quite perplexed, he didn't know if he had any.

Where does anybody go that's skipping Y.M.C.A. The guard detail seems to know for they've been making room "210" look like a cieve.

Silverman has the right idea the more invitations one sends out the more gifts one gets (Right).

We hear that motorcycles are becoming quite the fad around school. Hm-m-m. There's always a way!

—V—

### THE LAST LOOK

"From there" I heard a cadet say,  
As glanced he up at the walls of gray—  
"To these gray barracks rising high,  
Will I return before I die."

The tall, green elms were stately now  
As shades of twilight blanked the sky—  
And two cadets—one old, one new  
Stood at an archway peering thru.

Back to their minds came an autumn day,  
When the passing year began its way—  
Back to their minds came a winter night  
And Christmas day in its snowy white.

Remember times in early May  
As we sweltered in the heat of day  
And remember at last when June slipped in—  
And '44 was at its end.

Two cadets in the fading light  
Stood in an archway till almost night—  
And when the shadows succumbed the land  
Each one left, a better man.

## PRESENTING THE HEADS OF PUBLICATIONS

Gene Edward Kline

This year Augusta was fortunate in receiving a man with past newspaper records to head the Bayonet and Recall, annual publications of A.M.A. Gene Kline, a second year man, hails from Pittsburgh, the great "steel city" of the world, and has vastly improved the Bayonet, copy to copy. This last issue shows how much work he really has put into the paper. Gene worked on a Pittsburgh paper as a copy boy for two summers. He then received the job as Sports Editor on another city paper and worked there for four months before returning to Augusta.

The Bayonet has grown from a small corps paper to one that has been known to travel to all corners of the earth. Many of Augusta's alumni get copies of the Bayonet regularly and enjoy reading them.

The Bayonet has introduced many new ideas for the corps, one being the Pin-Up Queen contest, which is still in its infancy stage, but is hoped to progress throughout the years to come. A new Head has been added to the front of the paper and different styles of writings have been introduced. This has been through Gene and the cooperation he received from his staff. It is hoped that Gene receives what he wants when he leaves Augusta, that being a "combat correspondent."

Clinton Howard Whitehurst

"Whitney" came to Augusta this year without knowing what he was getting into. He started on the Bayonet as Poetry Editor and has worked up to the position of Assistant Editor. His vast sense of humor in his poetry and also Quadrangle Quirps has given the corps something they lacked, spirit.

"Whitney" handled the next-to-the-last issue of the Bayonet by himself. He did this while Gene worked on the Recall. In that issue he proved to one and all that he had the working knowledge to put out a good issue. We hope that "Whitney" will succeed in the Army as he did here at Augusta.

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### MOTHER'S DAY PROGRAM

Sunday evening, May 14, the Sunken Garden was the scene of the annual program dedicated to Mothers.

The Y.M.C.A. was in charge of this inspiring service which was attended by the Cadet Corps, faculty and many friends of AMA. Talks were given by Mrs. M. B. Robinson, Major Manch and Col. Robinson. Music was furnished by the Cadet Band.





## TRIALS AND TRIBULATIONS

1—Lt. Showalter. 2—The "Big Four. 3—"Solid and Trig". 4—The "Major". 5—"Under Cover". 6—"The" Colonel. 7—The Editor at "Work". 8—Founder's Day. 9—Map Reading at GI. 10—The Trailer. 11—A Long Shot. 12—Terra Firma. 13—Harry James' Band. 14—Clean Hit. 15—The Sluggers. 16—Meditation.

## FOUNDERS DAY CELEBRATION HELD AT CEMETERY

Monday, May 8th, the corps of Cadets marched to the Augusta Stone Church Cemetery to commemorate the founding of the Augusta Military Academy on the birthday of Charles S. Roller.

A moving ceremony was held at the grave of the former head of the Academy, which was led by Colonel Warren S. Robinson. A firing squad shot a three volley salute over the grave and taps were sounded.

Colonel Robinson told of the history of the Academy and of the life of Charles S. Roller. Shortly before the salute and taps, Lt. Herbert Lucas said a short prayer over the grave and ended asking the Lord to help us in this hour of national emergency.

After the ceremony at the Church Yard the corps of cadets had the rest of the afternoon off and could go to town and also go on hiking permits.

It is felt by all that Founders Day was very enjoyable, breaking the stretch between Government Inspection. It was topped off on the night of May 12th when the Founders Day Ball was held, a fitting climax for a fitting cause.

—V—

## THOSE WHO HAVE GONE

Eleven cadets of the 1944 Military corps left Augusta before the year ended to enter the service of the United States.

Tom Warner, former Captain of "D" Company left Augusta at the end of the Christmas vacation to enter the Marines Ranger Unit. He hailed from the state of Virginia and along with him went Bob Roessler to the Army from Virginia. Hermano Prati to the Army Commando service, from Washington, D. C.; Langley James to the Army from Virginia; Houff to the Navy, from Virginia; Copping to the Army Air Corps, from Virginia; Joe Bello to the Army, from Washington, D. C.; Al McQuillen to the Army Air Corps, from Pittsburgh, Pa.; Frank Quattrone, to the Army, from Stubenville, Ohio; and Ed. Gabriel, to the Army, from Pittsburgh, Pa.

These men are carrying the banner of Augusta into the fight. They soon will be joined by others who graduate. May these men have the blessings of all and the spirit to make them win. "Those Who Have Gone" is a poorly judged title because they will always be here in memories.

## THE FLAG WAS LOWERED

The flag was lowered; day was done  
The Arch was dim, the Evening Gun  
Was fired and the Corps was gone  
And an empty barracks greeted dawn.

A silent hush fell over all; the grounds  
were green

And far away there could be seen

A lonely man along the way,

Making the last inspection of the day.

And when he left, the year was thru,

The Colonel, "Boots" had all gone  
back

And we were gone but did not lack

The knowledge that should make us  
great

And at last complete Augusta's fate.

—V—

## COTILLION PRESIDENT

### BIDS FAREWELL

To the Corps of '44:

Gentlemen, I wish to thank you very much for the honor which you bestowed upon me at the beginning of this year, that of being the president of the Cotillion Club. This year I believe, as the other officers of the Cotillion Club do, that this year has been a most successful one. We have tried to give you the best dances that could possibly be given under the circumstances. Of course, there have always been ups-and-downs in anything that a group undertakes, but even with these it is my belief that everything turned out as we had all hoped.

The money left over in our treasury will be used to back the Final Ball, the sum totalling some sixty odd dollars. I have planned with Miss Walker that all the records of my past work, inclusive of booking agents, managers of orchestras, and the dif-academy and others, be left in a file ferent bands which have played at the for my successor.

To you, whoever you are, wherever you may be, I take great pleasure in turning over The Cotillion Club to you. I know that you will do your best, never being discouraged by what might happen, regardless of the handicaps which you might encounter.

So to you I say, "Good Luck '45 from '44."

"Dave" Douglass

## PRESENTING "E" COMPANY

This year the corps of cadets at Augusta was so large in relation to the number of companies had, that a new company was formed.

"E" Company is the "Diaper Platoon", having all the little juniors filling its ranks. Though the men that complement its ranks are small it rates high in standing along with the other line companies. Fred Haden was appointed captain with Danny Shope its executive officer. Helping them occasionally is Pate Georger and Guy Smith.

The non-commissioned officers include Zebulion Brodie, First Sergeant; Wilson Harrell, sergeant; Richard Hobbs, sergeant; Millard, Sherr and Ryan make up the corporals. This shows a fine group of commissioned and non-commissioned officers.

In future years "E" company will have a brilliant record since the privates and non-coms who may be scorned upon now, will be heading our line companies some day.

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## PRESENTING "CW" COMPANY

We take pleasure in presenting the last but not least company of the battalion. The "CW" company is composed of cadet waiters who come to Augusta with part of their tuition taken off. These men are the hardest working of the battalion and deserve a lot of mention.

Howard McGlooin is First Lt. of the "CW" company with Henry Dunbar First Sergeant and Aldolph Null Platoon Sergeant. The sergeants are Prince, Chancey and Joe DeBilla, and the corporals are Mallory, Wright, Lambert and Leventen.

The "CW's" are the salt of the corps. They work the most and play the most. Then enter into all the athletics and usually make the first string. They also could be called the biggest triflers but that's an American way of life. Lots of luck is wished the fellows of the "CW" company.

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## EBORN-HARRIS ENGAGEMENT

Dave have made known his intentions concerning the beautiful Miss Carla Harris of Mary Baldwin College. Dave will graduate in June and Miss Harris will finish her freshman year in June. The couple plan to be married sometime in the latter part of summer, after which they will spend a honeymoon in Texas. Mr. Eborn has been a member of the United States Marines since September. Good luck to both of them from the corps of '44.



## FAREWELLS

## Dave Eborn

"This year has been my senior and last year at Augusta. In addition to that it has been my most enjoyable one. This was made possible only through the cooperation of the cadet officers and members of the corps. I want you to know that I appreciate this more than words can express. You should be as proud of yourselves as the other captains and myself are of you. I am sure that this year will go down in the annals of AMA as being one of the best, and you men make it up. I want to take this opportunity given me by the Bayonet to thank you once again for everything and to say "good-bye."

To the Officers and Men of  
Company "A"

"Since I have been primarily First Captain and then Captain of "A" Company, I really haven't been able to spend as much time as I would have liked with you men. For that reason I am very sorry. However, I do want to thank you for Cadet Lt. Granda and the other officers and non-coms for the cooperation you have given them throughout the school year. You have been a good company and have set an example for all companies to follow. May this example prove to be a tradition to the corps of the future. We have had some mighty fine times together and I want to wish you all the luck in the world. Good-bye is a big word, so it is to you I say, 'So long, fellas.'"

## Dave Douglass

'44 is over and with it goes many, many times that I wish I could personally live over with you again. I'm not your captain but in the short time I've been in command of "B" I've grown to love it as my own company. When I leave I will leave behind me a great and glorious company one that has excelled in everything they have undertaken. Your Captain left near the end of school to enter the service. He trained and made you and I think it only proper that you think of him as you read this article. He would probably say the same as I am doing, so fellows remember "B" when you leave here.

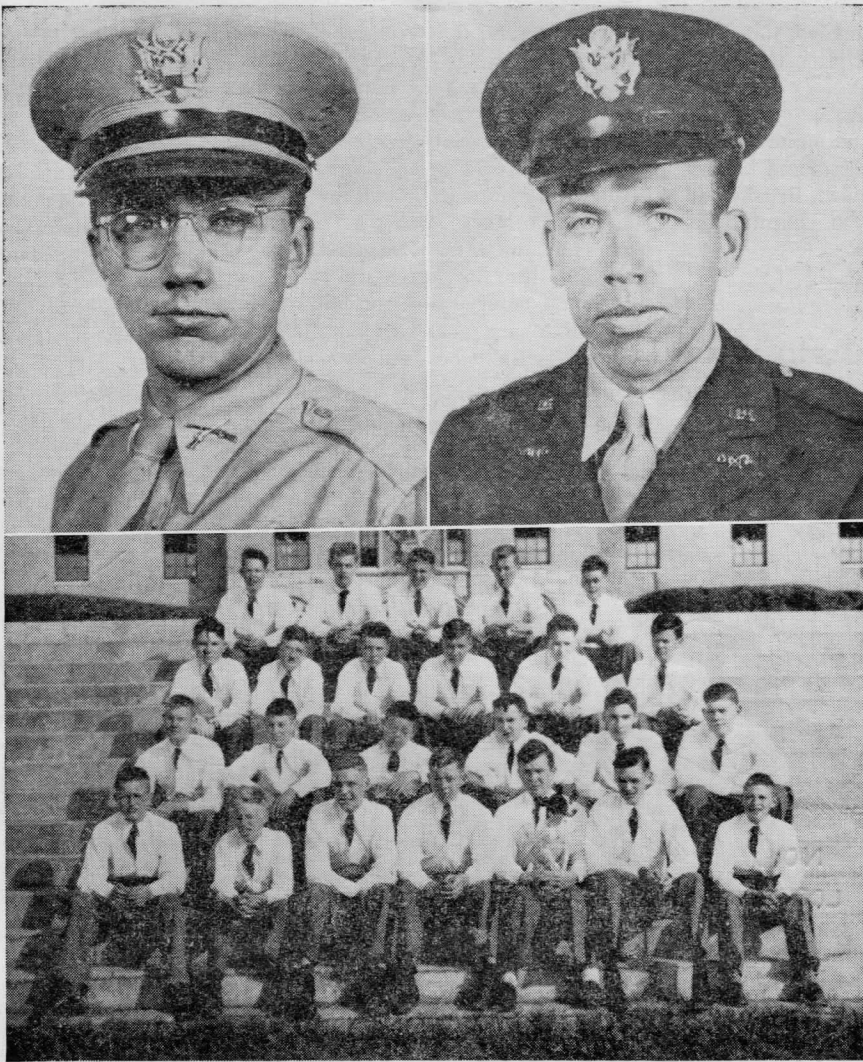
To the rest of the corps I extend, on behalf of Bill Stuart, the best of luck in the world. Augusta is the best. You are from Augusta.

So long, good luck and may God be with you.

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## "A" THROUGH "Z", OR READ ON AND SEE

"A" is for Allyn, a sun of a gun  
A killer with ladies, everyone.  
Next comes "Art" with a heart brave and true,  
A "sharpie" way back and a pigskin here too.  
"B" stands for Bearden a new cadet puzzle,  
But God help the Jap that looks down his muzzle.  
Following comes Bello a "real" Army man,  
Still the best friend ever to shake your hand.  
But wait! Here's Booth along with his band,  
And a captain's equal from any land.  
Brammer is next, "Our West Point" kid,  
Not much can be said but to hold down the lid.  
Breitsteins' our Kay-dat at Madison College,  
And we know in his head there's more than pure knowledge  
"Brownie" falls next, our non-com delight,  
With a jug at his left and a girl at his right.  
A new cadet trifter, O Burt is the name,  
The man in the army who'll surely gain fame.  
To finish the "B's" Butler will do,  
But he's Augusta's best from "A" on thru.  
"C" is for Chancey, our pride and delight,  
The one question being is whereabouts at nite.  
Following comes Codling our own Clark Gable,  
Who knows all the women from Mary through Mable.  
And who's in the "D's" is Darden, of course,  
And his slick slippery line with his grief and remorse.  
Dashiell is next, the sly little devil,  
Whose wit and good sense is sharp as a bevel.  
Davis (ha, ha) he's AMA's own,  
But right after June he'll have a new home (Army Air Corps).  
Derck is the man with his passion for love,  
But in Major's physics he's calm as a dove.  
"D" is for daughters as well as for Douglass,  
Some which are pretty and some are a mess.  
Right after comes Dozier, a new cadet's dream,  
But don't let him fool ya, all's not what it seems.  
Henry is next and Dunbar is last,  
But that can't compete with his glorious past.  
"E" is for Eborn, our cupid's Lieutenant,  
May love life be happy every second and minute.  
Edelman's sharp there is not a doubt,  
And all of his women damn near start a rout.  
Next we find Elston of which much is known,  
So beware all you ladies and stay close to home.  
Farley, O Farley our basketball star,  
Who races o'er courts like driving a car.  
Funck's best, at Madison and all,  
But he hasn't quite dared to attack Stuart Hall.  
Granda's the lad who comes from afar,  
And the trouble he's into is well above par.  
Dusty's the man from Washington town,  
And from what we hear he "does" get around.  
"H" means Haden a captain no less,  
And without his help we'd be in a mess.  
Haydon's another fine boy that we know,  
The one hitch being—in June he'll go.  
Buddy's a sergeant, a true tower man,  
And the best football player that e'er blest the land.  
The Heavens come next and O, what a pair,  
Jim with his "chicks" and Jack with his hair.  
Hockman's a good one, a real movie hand,  
And as for his girls: if he wants them he can.  
Timothy Holt, a rebel, by gum,  
To him we wish luck—from the corps—even none.  
What's hope without Hope in the barracks at nite,  
So to you our dear friend, don't ever get tight.  
To wind up the H's, Rhodes is the one—  
With his car, his "Dot" and kids by the ton (just kiddin').  
"K" means Kline in any man's lingo,



Above: The Bridge Club

### LATE FACULTY ADDITIONS

(Editor's Note:—Since the Recall went to press before the arrival of several of the faculty to AMA, we take this space to rectify for their pictures not appearing in the annual.)

#### Lt. John T. Showalter

Lt. John T. Showalter arrived at Augusta two weeks after Spring Recess to take over the classes vacated by Major Cherrington. In that time, it has been noticed, he has made many friends in the cadet corps and also with the other members of the faculty. He hails from Clearfield, Pennsylvania, and lived for the most part of his life in Bloomsburg, Pa., and Harrisonburg, Va.

Lt. Showalter graduated from Bridgewater College and also from the United States War College. He first taught at the Virginia Military Institute and later took a job as Patent Examiner with the United States Patent Office.

If all goes well with Lt. Showalter

and his life, he hopes to return to the Patent Office job after the war. We are sure though that his stay at AMA will be very pleasant.

#### Major Edward E. Thomas

Major Edward E. Thomas came to Augusta late in the winter and has been teaching and coaching here ever since.

A graduate from Purdue University, Indiana in 1938, Major Thomas has excelled in the field of Chemistry. He also attended the University of Ohio.

In 1940 and '41 Major Thomas taught at the Virginia Military Institute, the subject being Chemistry. At AMA he has been teaching History and English. He has been official umpire of all the baseball games played here and has coached the JV baseball team in their activities.

In the short time Major Thomas has been here he has gained many friends in students and faculty alike. We wish him the best of luck and hope his stay at Augusta will be long and happy.

#### Lt. William Haggerty

Lt. William "Wild Bill" Haggerty came to AMA before the Spring Recess and has stayed with us ever since.

Lt. Haggerty graduated from University of Scranton in 1940. He has been noted for his frequent trips to the Flag Tower and a beautiful burn has resulted from that.

"Wild Bill" has yet to be married, but his plans for the future includes a pretty partner which he hasn't decided upon yet.

It is felt that for the time Lt. Haggerty spent at Augusta this year he has enjoyed. He has a pleasing personality and a way of making friends. Look for him, he'll be waiting for you in 1945.

#### Lt. John Stubbs Brushwood

Lt. John Stubbs Brushwood hails from Gloucester, Virginia, with a brilliant record behind him. He graduated from Randolph Macon College, in 1940 and the University of Virginia

He has been teaching Spanish while at Augusta and has done quite well in making friends with cadets and faculty alike. We hope that Lt. Brushwood will return next year to continue his fine record at Augusta.

## BRIDGE CLUB HAS

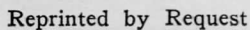
A new form of entertainment and learning was introduced by Major

Roller this year, that being the formation of the Augusta Bridge Club. This was the first thing of its kind to be founded at Augusta and the club has enjoyed a successful year. The finale was administered at a Bridge Party held at the gym with quite a few young ladies from Mary Baldwin College. Mrs. Holt and Mrs. Kivligan were responsible for the successful year at AMA and deserve much credit. It is hoped that next year will show a better club with more outside engagements.

Pictured on the preceding page are

the following members:

Cadets Field, H., president; McOwen, Kearse, Heizer, Eddy, W., Hamilton, Hayes, Darden, Prichard, Davis, Thomas, W.N., Ducey, Owen, W., Freeman, R., Lahman, Wolfderg, Moreshell, Tabakin, Spratley, Harrell, Barber Morgan, Smith G. R., Lepper, Cooper, Freshman, Jester, Cooke, Lever, Brodie, Drumwright, Christty, Weld, Wilson, W. Almazan, Ryan, Smith, W. G. Paschal, Berry, Farley, Prince, Merrill, Fontaine, DiBella, Sherr, Salzman, DeJarnette and A. J. Smith.





And his passion for love beats a Mexican gringo.  
 Knox is the boy from Alex, Virginia,  
 Who's humor and cigarettes surely will win ya.  
 Lacy's up next our Maritime Kid,  
 And we'll hope his head's covered with an officer's lid.  
 Lambert "my god" what a build, such a sight,  
 O how he does it with his hours at night.  
 Lear's in the "L's" with quite a few more.  
 A forty-three man and OD-forty-four.  
 "M" stands for Major as does for Mackey,  
 And following June he'll don (same old thing).  
 Marable's another as bright as the day,  
 Just hand him the pig skin and he's on the way.  
 McCanless is up, a shy sort of fellow,  
 A true friend of all with cigars so mellow.  
 McGloon, McGloon, the "Penn" State lad.  
 He's a damned good "CW" the best to be had.  
 Well, here it is, gents, our own little Mac,  
 But his sense of humor accounts for his lack (of studying).  
 McOwen is first in a race in a pool,  
 But as for his lit—just ask "O'Toole."  
 "P" stands for Page, our Pin-Up's cadet,  
 And O, what suspense when these two met.  
 Pappas's from Greece, but at AMA now,  
 Finding this place—we're not sure how!  
 Pasquelly, Pasquel, from old Mejico,  
 An "A" Company man since long ago.  
 Pittman can catch it and sling it too,  
 But I guess he's best in pitching the goo!  
 "P" is for Polisher as well as for Peggy,  
 And though that's not her name, we know he's a steady.  
 Porter's a Mr. and O what a past,  
 We wonder how long the barracks will last.  
 Prince and Helen comparable to Troy,  
 A really nice pair—may they always find joy.  
 Pritchett, our tennis champ, from way back when,  
 There weren't any women (O we're kidding again).  
 Put down the bottle O Jerry my boy,  
 And pick up Verna she's cute but quite coy.  
 Reinheimer's next our four foot delight,  
 He's a possible president—who knows, he might.  
 When we think of Rogers we think of a dream (nightmare).  
 His one weakness being cake and ice cream.  
 Rosebro and Sommers make quite a pair,  
 The question is which gets in which one's hair.  
 Saunders and Bald Rock go right together,  
 Call out the sheriff or we'll have to get Rollers Minute Men.  
 Silverman, F., from Boston, Mass.,  
 Has hooked nothing more than a fresh river bass.  
 Spratley's from Norfolk, but soon MBC.,  
 For the company he's keeping—well, just wait and see.  
 Stradley and Green, and we don't mean the lawn,  
 He ambles to barracks from Fairfax at dawn.  
 Stuart's a captain and that's not all,  
 Just look at his dish from Stuart Hall (to be accented).  
 Johnny and Nancy and I guess Major too,  
 Will be battling it out till this world's through.  
 Terrible Terry is a true Monday man,  
 He likes his platoon, but O you kid (see Miracle of Morgan's Creek)  
 Thomas, M. O., now he's really sharp,  
 On the trifling side still as gay as a lark.  
 In 306 is another Thomas,  
 With plenty of wits and lots of promise.  
 Thompson may have a girl some day,  
 But hold it, brother, you're at AMA.  
 Welker of "C" our Million Buck kid,  
 Just think of horses and you'll know what he did. (and we don't mean Stir-Up.)  
 Spotty the pet, spotty the beast,  
 His rise to success was faster than yeast.  
 JD the Pamela and the Stonewall Jackson,  
 A triple threat with plenty of action.  
 The cassanova Kid is Whitehurst the second,  
 Just ask them all, they'll say "yes," I reckon (by Kline).  
 "W" is for Wolfberg whom everyone knows,  
 Whose brains stretch from his head to his toes.  
 Charlie Wong from Panama City,  
 His having to leave is certainly a pity.  
 Wreden, N., handsome and tall,  
 Late to breakfast and formations all.  
 You've heard our names mentioned from "A" on through "Z"  
 You know what we like and what we can be.  
 But remember this always from now till the end,  
 We're your "roomies" and classmates, your memories and friends.

## FAREWELLS

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## Robert Grape

Cadets of the corps of '43-'44. It is with much regret that I must address to you this farewell speech. We have worked together hard and constant and you have done a fine job. I assure you that in the military field you have reached the top. And it is with great pride that I may say, "This corps is the best in all my four years here."

You cadets who are returning next year whether you will hold the rank of corporal or captain you are leaders and always do your job through and do it well, for upon your shoulders rests the AMA of the future.

And now in my closure I wish you all the very best of luck and show my thanks to "C" company who went out of their way to do their best.

## Robert Brewer

Well, finals are drawing near. It won't be long now until we leave Augusta. For some of us it will be the last time we leave as a cadet. We are depending on you who return to carry on and make a better corps than this year's.

This corps of 1943 and 1944 has been excellent. You, as a corps, deserve the congratulations of everyone connected with this academy. The spirit of this corps can't be beat anywhere. You've stood behind your officers and the faculty and given them wholehearted cooperation. I don't believe the principals could ask for a better corps than this one.

To the cadets in "D" company I would like to extend my thanks and appreciation for the work they did this year. You are a great company.

Speaking to the whole corps again I would like to add this one statement: You're Tops!

## Fred Haden

As captain of "E" Company I wish to take the opportunity to thank all of the juniors and young men of Company "E" for their utmost cooperation throughout the year. Although they are small they try with all they have to do right and I am sure that these cadets will prove to be of great value to the four line companies and to their country in the future. Therefore on the behalf of the Commissioned of-

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## CAMERA ODDITIES

1—"Mike". 2—Major Cherrington. 3—"Sweat Box". 4—"Toot Toot". 5—Every Night Occurrence. 6—Tit-Tat-Toe. 7—"You don't say"? 8—Alone with the Wolves. 9—H.. mm, Not Bad. 10—Girl's Dorm. 11—Contortionist. 12—Left Hand Salute. 13—Button, button, who has the button? 14—Now, son, son, son... 15—We gave them Hell.

# AUGUSTA'S SPORTS RESULTS OF 1944

## FOOTBALL

The year 1944 brought with it one of the best football teams that Augusta has had. Though the win column doesn't show this because of the stiff competition met, it is felt by all who witnessed the games that if better luck was had, AMA would have had an undefeated season.

Woodberry Forest, Fork Union, Greenbrier and Navy beat Augusta in hard fought contests while V.S.D.B., Hargrave, Massanutten and Fishburne fell before the onslaught.

The team roster showed the following: Hayes, Eddy, W., Eddy, J., Mohler, McOwen, Bearden, Arthur, Hamilton, McQuillen, Prati, Almacen, Johnson, Null, Tabakin, Fontaine, Weaver, Reid, Simmons, R., Slagle, Codling, Woody, Bello, DiBella, Bazemore, DeJarnette, and West.

Most of these boys will graduate and the outlook for next year is very dim, but be sure to notice the results in the papers, Augusta will always have one of the finest teams.

## PEEP FOOTBALL

Touchdowns was the word for this team last fall. Each game saw the team improving both in teamwork and blocking. Only two teams were met, Waynesboro Hi and V.S.D.B., the first being in our class and the second being a prep school variety.

First Waynesboro fell by the score 9-0 in which the peeps played a game for the first time. Hampered by lack of equipment and poor playing field this game saw Heizer making six points with Wasco hitting the line. Caudill made a safety. In the second game Farley scampered around end three times and was followed by Wasco, Gardner, Heizer making the extra points. On a long pass from Heizer to Green another tally was made. In the third game with WHS the first team played but two quarters with the second team finishing, assisted by the Minnows. Scott, on a pass; Spratley on an intercepted pass; Ducey on an end run and Green on a line buck won the game in the first half. In the final game of this series a track meet happened the more we tried to keep the score down the larger it ran up. Playing VSDB more for experience than for gain we put up a fight but our opponents were too good for us.

## SWIMMING

Swimming had the best record of any sport team this year, winning five and being tied once and coming in second in the State Meet.

Fishburne fell first to us and we took every first place but one. Bill McOwen turning in his first pool record with time of 2:29.

Randolph Macon fell next but gave us a scare until Lever came through to clinch the diving event.

FMS meet saw Long backstroking all the way to defeat his tough rival. Venzler turning in the remarkable time of 59:00 for the 100 free style.

RMA succeeded in tying us in the next meet.

Massanutten fell next victim in a meet in which McOwen turned in his second record and Schutte defeated an opponent heretofore undefeated in 50 yard swim.

Final meet was with MMA in which Darden and the 150 yard medley were the high lights.

The State Meet was won by SMA with AMA second. Schutte, Lever, Coleman, Palmer and Darden being outstanding for AMA.

## FENCING

Meeting but two opponents this season, our swordsmen nevertheless showed that they had what it takes. Fork Union was met four times and although they exhibited constant improvement they were not enough for our men.

Jack Hevener held the distinction of ending the season untied and undefeated; Brown DW, was close on his heels with but one tie to mar his record; he being followed by McGlooin with one defeat. Others who showed up well were JB Hevener, FC Thomas who were on the first team and the runners-up—Caudill, Ducey, Cordero, Moerschell who although competing for the first time showed they could be contenders next year.

The Junior Varsity, BrewerD., WongJ., Scott, HopeF., met and defeated Woodberry. Prospects for next year are the best in history and the schedule calls for meets with Navy and Army as well as prep schools. Newcomers such as J. and H. Field, Pigg, Jester, Dubose, are of such promise that we look for only the best.

## BASKETBALL

Augusta's hoopsters this year ended their season of seventeen games of which they won nine. The varsity squad consisted of: Farley, Mackey, Kirk, Chipley, Reid, Hayes, Bazemore, Welch, Marsh, Rosebro, Koellmer, Heizer, Wolfberg and Johnson.

Starting the season the team suffered defeat by Harrisonburg, 31-22 and Massanutten 27-25. The later game with Massanutten being lost by a trick of fate when the ball was dropped by Augusta in the opponent's basket. Following this, Bridgewater sent us down 35-46, after which our first victory came over Fishbourne 28-13. The next three games were lost but the team again came back against Clifton Forge with a margin of 37 points; Massanutten 32-31; Hargrave 51-30, all in our favor. Our next defeat came at the hands of Fork Union 38-32 but still we again trounced Fishburne 55-17.

The high scorers for Augusta were: Chipley 163 points, Kirk with 130 points and Reid with 78 points. Chipley and Kirk at the close of the season were rewarded by All-State titles.

## BOXING

The first match with Massanutten had DiBella as its highlight when he finished his man in the second round. AMA won 6-2.

Clifton Forge fell next by score 5-3. Tariche scoring a thirty-five second knockout for the highlight of this meet.

Then came Massanutten again to lose 4-3. Hernandez k.o.ed his man after a barrage of blows. Null had his man out on his feet and was given the bout after the referee had given MMA a thirteen second helpout to refresh. Bill Eddy with a right to his opponent's jaw made the gym tremble as we won.

Miller School met us in the next meets. Tariche showed as fine an example of courage by fighting with only his left arm to do everything. Null outhit and outpointed his man only to have the decision go the other way. Miller School won.

In the final meet Miller School again won. DiBella won only after twice knocking his man to the mat.



The season was evenly divided with two wins and two losses. Navy, the first opponent, swamped us but H. Field and Pittman went the full length losing by a decision while their teammates were thrown.

The next two meets were with VS DB and with two victories. Dashiell, H. Field, Pittman, DeJarnette, Codling, Melchor, Doxier won by falls which H. Allyn received a draw in the first meet. The second meet was a repetition of the first. VSDB improved, but not enough.

The final meet with Woodberry saw our team at its best. Pittman was the only one to win a decision but Kauffman, Dashiell and Eddy W., went the full period only to lose by a decision while their teammates were thrown.

#### RIFLE

In the first meet, with Navy, although outclassed we put up a splendid showing. Musgrave was high scorer.

Massanutten and Hargrave were met next and fell beneath our shots. Weed and Dunbar led the scorers in these meets.

The next event was the state meet held at Waynesboro in which we placed fourth. Huntsbury led his mates.

The next meets were with Thomas Jefferson Hi both of which were won by AMA. Lea and Musgrave topped all men.

The last match was a mail one with RMA, with Huntsbury leading the way.

#### BASEBALL

The last game of the present season was lost by Augusta to give them a season's standing of three wins and seven losses.

The following men were awarded Major monograms: Null, DiBella, Koellmer, Mason, Reid, Johnson, Pappas, Pittman, Green, Woody, West, Litten, Georger and Heizer. Minor monograms were awarded to Long, Eddy, J., Eddy, W., Hayes, Fontaine and Brodie. The four leading hitters for the year were: DiBella with a .351; Mason with .350, Null with .333 and Koellmen with .324. Koellmer had the most doubles with five, Mason the most triples with three, and Null and Woody had a home run each. Reid won three games and lost two while Johnson lost five. Null had the most bases with 24 throughout the year.

#### TRACK

The Virginia State Prep School track meet was held this year at Charlottesville, Va., on the Campus of the University of Virginia. The weather conditions were unfavorable to a meet of this sort but each team did as well as could be expected.

Derck brought back two and a half points by taking a third place in the javelin and tie for third in the high jump. Neff took fourth place in the high hurdles bringing back one point.

Every one on the team did their best. Considering that this was their first meet of the season the team was handcuffed by the fact that the other contending teams had each engaged in four or five previous meets. Those entered were: Bazemore, Stanley, J., Woodward, Mills, Spratley, Addison, Pitts, Derck, Neff, DeJarnett, Wolfberg, and Wilson H.B.

The Wrestling Team had 39 bouts with 19 cadets participating. Augusta scored 58 points to their opponents 61.

## Cindermen Conquer "Crooners"

The Augusta Military Academy track team defeated the cindermen of Lexington High School in its first real meet of the 1944 season at Lexington.

The meet was AMA all the way and the final score tabulation showed Augusta way out in front with a 68 to 46 victory. This was the best showing a track team at Augusta has made in several years.

Individual results and points are as follows: In the shotput, Bill Eddy of Augusta took first place honors with a throw of 36 feet and 6¼ inches. Tabakin, AMA, was second and Bean of Lexington was third. The 100 yard dash was taken by Wolfberg, AMA, in 10.1 seconds. Saunders of AMA was second and Stoley of Lexington third. Derck of Augusta took the high jump going over the bar at 4 feet eleven inches, while Pitts of AMA and Baher of Lexington tied for second. In the 880 Davis of Lexington took first with the time of 2 minutes nine seconds, while Bazemore, AMA took second and Jack Stanley, AMA, took third.

The discuss went to Augusta when Hamilton tossed the projectile 89 feet

8 inches. Bean of Lexington took second and Saunders, AMA, took third. McCoy took the 440 for Lexington in 58.4 seconds with Slagle, AMA, second and Mohler, Augusta, third. Stoley took the 220 for Lexington in 23.5 seconds with Wolfberg, Augusta, second and Saunders, AMA, third. The broad jump was taken by Lexington with 18 feet 2½ inches while Hamilton took second for Augusta and Pitts, AMA, took third. The Javelin was taken by Stoley of Lexington with a throw of 44 feet 2½ inches while Derck, AMA, took second and Shields, Lexington, took third. The 220 low hurdles was won by Wilson, AMA, in 29.5 seconds with Neff, Augusta, taking second and Adair, Lexington, third.

The three places in the one mile run was taken by Lexington in 6 minutes, 29 seconds. The high hurdles were taken by Neff, Augusta, in 21 seconds with Lanck of Lexington second and Spratley of Augusta third. The pole vault was forfeited to Augusta with Spratley given first, Addison second, and Pitts third.

Individual scoring results are as follows: Eddy, 5 points; Tabakin, 3; Wolfberg, 8; Saunders, 5; Derck, 10½; Pitts, 3; Bazemore, 3; Stanley, 1; Hamilton, 8; Slagle, 3; Neff, 8; Wilson, 5; Spratley, 6; Mohler, 1; Thompson, 1; Welch, 1; Spilman, 0, and DeJarnette with none. This gave a grand total of 73½ points scored for the entire meet.

The track season at Augusta was very short lived, but if the year would have started earlier a fine record would have been had. Captain Morresey taught and piloted the track men to their first win. This gives them a season's standing of one win and no losses.

Credit is due every man who went out for the track team for they worked hard for so little and when the time came they showed what they had.

#### "MISS LINDA" ENTERTAINS

Sunday evening, May 14, "Miss Linda" entertained in honor of her dancing class. The affair was held on the lawn of her home. Guests also included members of the Junior Department and the Cadet Captains, and Day Students of Stuart Hall who reside in the vicinity. Thru the Bayonet all those who were inattendant wish to express their sincere thanks to "Miss Linda."



## SHOULD OLD ACQUAINTANCE BE FORGOT

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Blackburn, with his staff has trained the Cadets at Augusta to be a highly efficient and well equipped corps. Without his "dog-tail" spirit, Government Inspection undoubtedly would have fallen below its mark at AMA.

Colonel Robinson, assistant commandant, took the brunt of the cadets frontal attack and forged through without causing too much injury. He helped make and teach men and his work will not go unheeded.

The kitchen staff and infirmary staff kept the cadets moving. All the old home cooking was not to be found, but sound, nourishing food was always at hand. An old saying goes in the Army: "As long as a man grumbles over his food he's still got spirit." By god, we sure did grumble alot

### The Big Two

"Uncle Tom" and "Big Boy" are the main cause for us graduating. Men, if there were ever found two men who loved to work and train boys, and also love them like their sons, it is a sure fact that Major and Colonel Roller would win out. They are just about tops from all viewpoints and it means alot to them in what we do.

There we have the corps. Laughs and insults; fair play and hard work; truth and honesty; sincerity and religious. All this makes the corps of '44. No others should be more proud than we.

—V—

Are you aware Augusta is the oldest prep school in the South?

Did you know that the State of Virginia has twice as many military schools and colleges as any other two states combined?

Did you know that "Pensive" caused quite a sensation at Churchill Downs several weeks ago, also a slight tremor in barracks? How about it McOwen?

Warner Bros.

### DIXIE

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—in—

"Passage to Marseille"

## FAREWELLS

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ficers, non-commissioned, and myself. I want to thank you and say farewell to a fine group of young boys.

Arthur Boothe

This will be just about the last time you will hear from me, I bet you are glad. Seriously, it has given me a great deal of pleasure to work with the corps this year as we have gone thru many hardships as well as pleasures.

I wish to express my appreciation to each and every cadet in the "Band". In many ways they have co-operated and helped me to make the "Band" one of the very best.

We started out inexperienced, but with hard and steady work, we feel that we have been quite successful in overcoming every obstacle. Until we meet again, I'll say "good ble" and "good luck" to everyone.

Howard McGloon

It seems hard to believe that the school year is almost completed and I'm sorry that our association will be ended in such a short time.

The past year has been a very pleasant one, I'm sure, that the memories of it will not soon be forgotten.

On behalf of the C.W.'s I wish to

thank everyone of you for your co-operation in the mess hall, and your all-around friendliness.

Work can not exactly be called fun, in fact it's far from that, but we consider it a pleasure being able to wait on such a swell group of boys. We tried our best to give you good service, and aside from a few pitchers of milk in the wrong place I'm sure you were satisfied.

Good bye for now, I hope we meet again. It may be that our next meeting will be in the streets of Berlin or Tokyo.

—V—

Madison finally came to an Augusta dance. The '44 corps thanks the head of the college for their kindnesses and hopes that these good relations may be continued.

—V—

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